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SUBJECT: BASIC ISSUES OF DEFENSE PLANNING: ANTI-TANK  
WEAPONS

MISSION HAS FORWARDED SUMMARY OF CENTRAL REGION MODERN ANTI-TANK WEAPON PLANNING AS CONTAINED IN DPQS TO MEMBERS OF THE EXECUTIVE WORKING GROUP AD-70. MISSION UNDERSTANDS FROM FRG ANTI-TANK BRIEFING AND INFORMAL CONTACTS WITH UK REPRESENTATIVE THAT ADDITIONAL ANTI-TANK WEAPONS ARE PLANNED. HOWEVER, THEY WERE NOT SPECIFIED IN DPQ RESPONSES. MISSION LETTER TO EWG MEMBERS REQUESTS EARLY RETURN TO SUBJECT ANTI-TANK WEAPONS ON THE EWG AGENDA FOLLOWING DECEMBER DPC MINISTERIAL . TEXT FOLLOWS:

DPQ COVERAGE OF MODERN ANTI-TANK CAPABILITY REVEALS THAT MOST COUNTRIES IN THE CENTRAL REGION HAVE NOT COMPLETED PLANS FOR THE ONE FOR ONE REPLACEMENT OF OLDER ANTI-TANK WEAPONS AGREED  
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IN THE BASIC ISSUES REPORT AT THE DECEMBER 1973 DPC MINISTERIAL MEETING. NOR HAVE ANY COUNTRIES, EXCEPT THE US AND THE FRG, REPORTED ON THEIR PLANS FOR GREATER THAN ONE FOR ONE REPLACEMENT.

## DPQ FORCES AT END OF 1975(INCLUDING REINFORCEMENTS)

	SWINGFIRE	TOW	MILAN	DRAGON
	4000M	3000M	2000M	1000M
BELGIUM	43			
UK	112			
NETHERLANDS			133	
FRG		170	100	
US		2662		1235

## DPQ FORCES AT END OF 1979(INCLUDING REINFORCEMENTS)

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BELGIUM	43		120	
UK	112			
NETHERLANDS			150	
FRG		170	1100	
US		4060		4847
CANADA		88		

IT IS APPARENT FROM THE ABOVE ROUGH TABULATION OF AVAILABLE DATA THAT A CONSIDERABLE IMBLAANCE MAY DEVELOP IN THE CENTRAL REGION BY THE END OF THE PLANNING PERIOD. REQUEST THAT THE EWG AGENDA INCLUDE ANTI-TANK CAPABILITY AT AN EARLY MEETING FOLLOWING THE DPC MINISTERIAL. END TEXT. BRUCE

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